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Garci is back, says wife

Ex-poll exec reportedly slipped into Palawan from Sabah

FIVE MONTHS AFTER HE VANISHED INTO THIN air and left the country in a dangerous political crisis, Virgilio Garcillano is back—or so said his wife and two lawmakers yesterday.



Citibank fined for trust violations



NPA kills 3 soldiers; GMA orders tougher action

Gov't must tackle ban on land mines now, says group

Health care scare: RP has only 700 private hospitals

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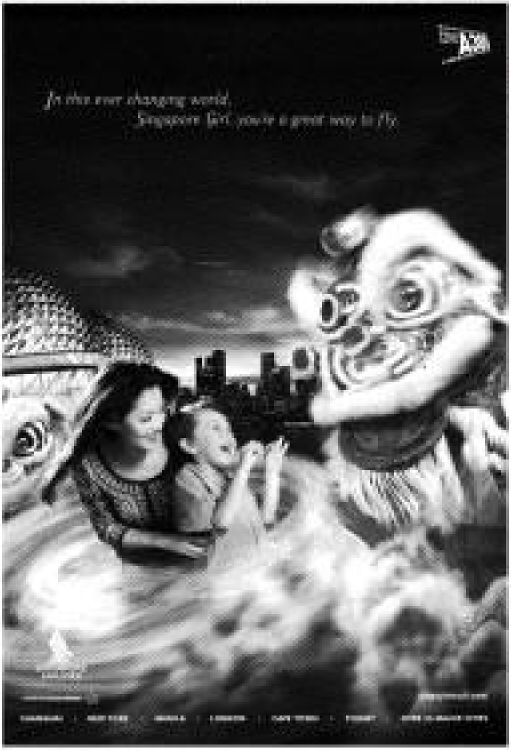
Int'l groups assail killing of journalists

LUCENA CITY—TWO INTERNATIONAL GROUPS OF journalists yesterday expressed serious concern for the safety of Philippine journalists following the murders of two Filipino newsmen over a three-day period.

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GI's appearance today uncertain

New hope for undocumented Filipinos



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SPORTS

Editor Teddyvic S. Melendres



[illegible] of Indonesia and Thailand's Wajee [illegible] (13) battle for control in a SEA Games women's football match at the Marikina Sports Complex. The Thais prevailed, 2-1.

Vietnam whips Laos, claims Group B lead

By Cedelf Tupas, PDI Visayas Bureau

BACOLOD CITY—WITH FLEET-FOOTED STRIKERS Le Cong Vinh and Phan Van Quyen spearheading the attack, Vietnam crushed Laos, 8-2, last night to gain the top spot in Group B of the Southeast Asian Games men's football tournament at the Bacolod City Sports Complex here.

His morale boosted by a small group of flag-waving and gong-striking Vietnamese fans, Vinh rattled the Laotian defense, producing the tournament's first hat-trick and pushing his squad nearer to the first semifinal slot in the so-called "Group of Death."

The win improved Vietnam's record to 2-0 (6 points), while Laos—[illegible] winner over Myanmar Sunday—dropped to 1-1 (3 points).

In the second match, Myanmar held defending Indonesia to a scoreless standoff to be at 0-1-1.

Over at the Marikina Sports [illegible]

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Sto. Tomas: Brain drain just a perception

Health care scare: RP …

Scared

Proposals

6th restoration for 74-year-old Met …

Blueprints destroyed

Art Deco

New life

Corrections

RP booters kick off campaign vs powerhouse Thais



HUNDREDS of high school students perform during the opening of the SEA Games women's football competition at the Paglaum Sports Complex.

1991 hero Fegidero hopes Pinoys score upset

Counter-attack

Vietnam XI crushes Laos



Chan, Nieva collaborate on SEAG song

Basketball no longer an issue

Bare Eyes



Recah Trinidad

Antonio eyes 5-gold medal sweep



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Brunei pulls out of football, boxing

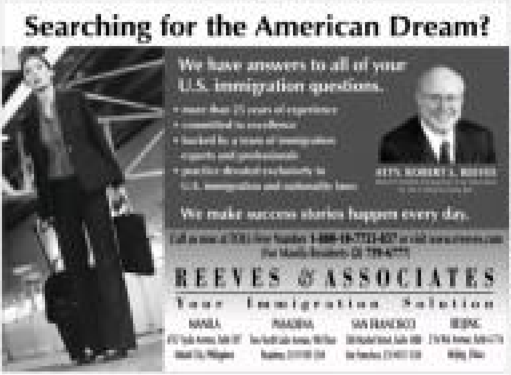
SEA Games shown on ABC 5

Sarmiento leads Binay Cup winners

Cabaluy loses via split decision

Bonus awaits Makati Coliseum cockers

GMA rating consistent with '04 poll results, House allies say



Senators see more delays in '06 budget

Palace names 3 UCPB directors

Emergency landing for 2 US jet fighters

6 years after Clean Air Act, Metro air still dirty

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Palace wants closure

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Fear for his safety

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No outrage during holidays

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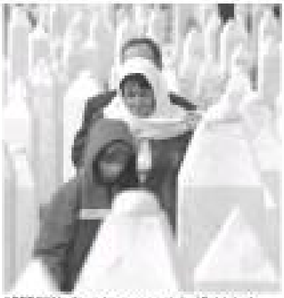
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The WORLD

Bush plotted to bomb al-Jazeera, report says

LONDON—US PRESIDENT George W. Bush planned to bomb pan-Arab television broadcaster al-Jazeera, British newspaper the Daily Mirror said Tuesday, citing a Downing Street memo marked "Top Secret."

US troops shoot dead Iraqis in van



A decade after war, deal appears set to unify Bosnia

By Barry Schweid

Sharon quits Likud, creates political quake



SHARON

Food, labor shortages seen in bird flu pandemic

Tycoon's parrot faces jail



DESIGNATED German Chancellor Angela Merkel calls the room to order with a bell prior a parliamenary group meeting of her Christian Democrats (CDU), Nov. 21 in Berlin, one day before she is due to be voted in by the Bundestag. AFP PHOTO

Germany's first woman chancellor

BERLIN—ANGELA MERKEL IS SET TO WIN broad support in parliament on Tuesday and become Germany's first woman chancellor, but her fragile coalition must prove it can contain infighting and revive Europe's largest economy.

With her government of center-right Christian Democrats (CDU) and center-left Social Democrats (SPD) holding 448 of the 614 seats in the Bundestag, the 51-year-old pastor's daughter is widely expected to get the majority she needs to be confirmed as chancellor in a vote scheduled for 10 a.m. (0900 GMT).

The vote will make her the first German chancellor to have grown up in the former communist east and bring to an end months of political uncertainty that followed an inconclusive Sept. 18 general election.

But a majority of Germans are convinced the conservative leader will not last a full four-year term because of her unwieldy alliance with the SPD of outgoing Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder.

Merkel was forced during month-long coalition talks to scrap her plans for a major shake-up of the German social welfare system that had been a cornerstone of her election program.

Revive the economy

She is vowing to resuscitate the economy, once Europe's motor but now one of the weakest in the 25-nation EU, and cut unemployment that hit post-war highs under Schroeder.

Merkel also wants to repair relations with Washington, strained by Schroeder's opposition to the US-led war in Iraq.

But she will be governing with a watered-down coalition program that suggests continuity rather than a dramatic break from Schroeder, who implemented tentative reforms himself.

"Merkel's challenge is to break the restraints of the coalition agreement while convincing the SPD that the reform course of Schroeder is being continued, not that the conservatives are having their way," conservative German daily Die Welt said in an editorial on Tuesday.

After the vote in parliament, she and her cabinet will be sworn in and formally take over from the SPD-Greens coalition government that Schroeder has led for the past seven years.

Merkel represents a generational change and a break in style from the flamboyant Schroeder, who favored Italian suits and fat cigars and seemed most at ease when in the media spotlight.

Her clinical, almost shy approach, has been mocked in the German media, but some commentators believe it is tailor-made for her new "grand coalition" that bridges right and left and will require delicate management.

"Her dislike of the theatrical in politics, of the show and big words, fits with the new sobriety of Germany's younger generation," said German daily newspaper Handelsblatt.

Like her political mentor, former Chancellor Helmut Kohl, Merkel has been underestimated throughout her career. That helped her push aside rivals in her male-dominated, heavily Catholic CDU and may play to her advantage again.

Her cabinet is dominated by pragmatists and the stability of her government could also be helped by a strong sense within the two camps in the coalition that failure would prompt voters to abandon them in any early elections.

Merkel has made cutting unemployment a top priority and the handling of this goal could determine the fate of her government.

She must hope that the central plank of her coalition program—an agreement to bring the budget deficit back within EU borrowing limits by 2007 mainly through higher sales taxes—will not get in the way of achieving her target. *Reuters*

US monsignor arrested for fondling boys

PHOENIX—THE FORMER VICAR GENERAL OF the Roman Catholic Diocese of Phoenix was arrested on charges he fondled boys and young men and asked them prying questions about their sex lives that he pretended were part of confession.

Monsignor Dale Fushek, 53, becomes one of the highest-ranking priests to be charged in the sex scandal that has engulfed the church. The vicar general is the highest-ranking administrator of a diocese next to the bishop.



FUSHEK AP

Fushek was charged with three counts of assault, five of contributing to the delinquency of a minor and two of indecent exposure. All are misdemeanors, punishable by no more than three years and nine months in all. He was arrested on Monday.

At his initial court appearance, Fushek was placed under house arrest and ordered to wear an electronic ankle bracelet for monitoring. He also was ordered to surrender his passport and not have contact with anyone under age 18. Fushek's arraignment was set for Dec. 6.

Fushek "used a relationship of trust to perform criminal acts, including but not limited to sexual activities, improper sexual discussions and physical contact, upon vulnerable minor and adult victims," prosecutors said in court papers.

Prosecutors said Fushek committed the acts between 1984 and 1994 at St. Timothy's Catholic Church in Mesa or on property belonging to the church. The alleged victims were seven young men and boys.

Fushek resigned as pastor of St. Timothy's in April after someone claimed to have recovered a repressed memory involving sexual improprieties by Fushek in 1985. He has denied the allegations and remains on administrative leave. *AP*



MICHELLE Leslie in a Denpasar courtroom, Nov. 18. REUTERS

Freed Aussie model advised not to sell story

SYDNEY—AN AUSTRALIAN MODEL CONVICTED of drug possession in Indonesia should not sell her story to the media as it could jeopardize other Australians facing drug charges in the archipelago, a former federal judge said Tuesday.

Underwear and catwalk model Michelle Leslie, 24, arrived in Australia on Tuesday after serving three months in a prison on the Indonesian resort island of Bali for having unlawfully obtained two ecstasy pills.

Leslie wore traditional Muslim dress during her trial but emerged from jail in a midriff-baring singlet top, leading to accusations in Australia that she staged a sham commitment to Islam to win sympathy from Indonesian judges.

Former Federal Court Judge Marcus Einfeld said Australians on trial in Indonesia could pay if Leslie said anything in a tell-all memoir that indicated she had tried to hoodwink the Indonesian justice system.

"If this woman humiliates the Indonesians, the next person who gets into trouble in Indonesia will suffer greatly," Einfeld said.

"The idea that she may have falsely taken on Islam, and I don't know whether she did or not, ought to be played very quietly indeed."

As Leslie's representatives shop her story around to the highest bidder, Prime Minister John Howard said he did not believe she should benefit financially from her crime.

"Many Australians, including me, do not believe that she should profit from telling her story," he said.

Australia has laws preventing convicted criminals from profiting by telling their story and Howard said authorities would examine any deal struck by Leslie's handlers.

Howard said Canberra had asked Indonesia to consider Australian domestic sensitivities as they prosecuted a series of high-profile drug cases involving Australians, including former beauty student Schapelle Corby and the so-called "Bali Nine," alleged heroin traffickers.

He said the Indonesians should expect the same courtesy. *AFP*

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OPINION



Final solution

EDITORIAL

Gov't wants to use dwBR for propaganda

AS I SEE IT

Neal H. Cruz

Goodness gracious

THERE'S THE RUB

Conrado de Quiros

An usurpation of state functions

ANALYSIS



Amando Doronila

Naked sabotage

PINOY KASI



Michael L. Tan

Breaking out of stereotypes

AT LARGE



Rina Jimenez-David

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Nakpil's notes on the Revolution

LOOKING BACK



Ambeth R. Ocampo

> The shortage of arms was so severe that the revolutionaries had to make home-made gunpowder and bullets from all types of metal, including confiscated church bells

Let's go for waste-free Southeast Asian Games

LETTERS

Who is the true hero?

RP still bird flu-free, focuses on prevention

INQUIRER Northern Luzon

Stoneware thrives in Sagada

By Elizabeth Lolarga
Contributor

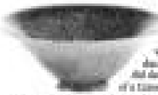




JAR by Lope Bosaing

WITH NO POTTERY TRADITION to speak of, the mountain resort town of Sagada in Mt. Province has a thriving ceramic center with recently trained potters who took an immediate liking to shaping objects and displayed an ability to cross the line from craft to art.

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BOWL by Siegrid Bangyay

SAGADA native ... says pottery taught her "patience, enjoyment, dedication to work."

Enjoyment

[illegible]

Patience

[illegible]

Fascinating

[illegible]

Expo revives Candon's rich cultural heritage

By Frank Cimatu
Candon City

MOST TOWNS IN THE ILOCOS region are now putting up their huge Christmas trees, but a different structure is shaping up at the gate of the Candon Church in Ilocos Sur.

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THE "CROWN of the Ring Gate" of Candon Church ...

Rich heritage

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Mayor vows to stop Lafayette mining

PROMISES UNKEPT HAVE PUSHED THE PRO-mining mayor of Rapu-Rapu Island, site of the P1.4-billion Rapu-Rapu Polymetallic Project and recently, two mine spills, to seek Malacañang's intervention in closing down the foreign-funded mining project.

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2 groups fight over holding of flower festival



BAGUIO CITY—[illegible]

Mayor's veto

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Graft

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Release eng'r, execs appeal

Negrenses urge meet on Cha-cha

Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 2005-37
11 November 2005

SUBJECT : RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ISSUANCE OF DOTC/LTO AUTHORIZATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE PRIVATE EMISSION TESTING CENTERS (PETCs) IT PROVIDERS AND MONITORING OF PETCs and PETC IT PROVIDERS

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6.0 SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

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8.0 FEES AND CHARGES

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10.0 PENALTIES

11.0 REPEALING CLAUSE

12.0 EFFECTIVITY

LEANDRO R. MENDOZA

Farmers urged to spurn chemicals, go organic



VEGETABLES are being prepared at La Trinidad Trading Post, Km 5, La Trinidad, Benguet for transport to markets in the lowland.

Roundup

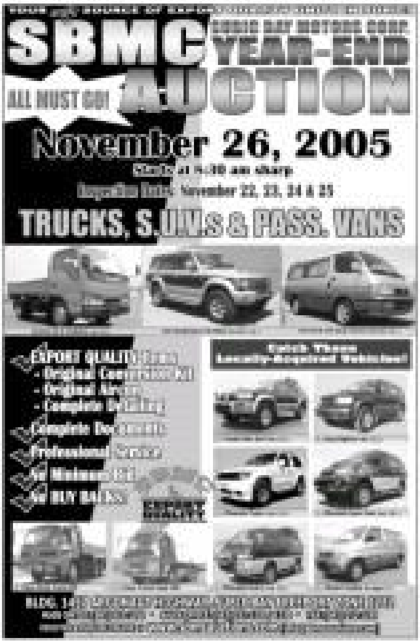
Treasurer in drugs

Ex-Cebu mayor dies

Gov's suspension stopped

Privatization of Metro rail ticketing mulled

Makati creates anti-car theft task force; checkpoints on major routes



Jaylo faces abduction charges

MetroBriefs

Free medical services for wounded NBI agents



Stalls moved out of Taft

LRI 2nd anniversary activities

UST priests alumni homecoming

METRO

SUERTRES

SIX DIGIT

6/42 Lotto Vis-Min

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Cities intensify bird flu watch



WHAT'S INSIDE

Unilab heir joins Del Monte battle

PAL records $4.5-M loss in Q3

BUSINESS

DBP raising $300M for Naia 3 buyout

CURRENCIES



GOLD

STOCK MARKET

PSE COMPOSITE INDEX



Shares rise to new 8-mo high

'Just compensation' for Piatco

THE STATE-OWNED DEVELOPMENT BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES is preparing a $300-$400 million loan facility for the Manila International Airport Authority (Miaa) to compensate spurned Naia Terminal 3 proponent Philippine International Air Terminals Co. (Piatco).



Smart exec says crisis over



NAPAREÑO

FOR CAPEX REQUIREMENT

Napocor sells P11B in bonds

HIGHER OPERATING EXPENSES

PAL records $4.5-M loss in Q3



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COCKTAILS

Victor C. Agustin

The Bradish bunch

Money-go-round

Business

Gov't eyes negotiated sale of former IS property

US, EU urged to cut farm subsidies, tariffs

Petron keeps LPG price steady

Cojuangco company to invest P30B in 3G network



COJUANGCO

DBP raising $300M for Naia 3 buyout

Cocktales

Heard through the grapevine

Shares rise



BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE-INFRASTRUCTURE

INVITATION TO APPLY FOR ELIGIBILITY AND TO BID



Chinese oil firm to invest in Mala

CNOOC joins foreign firms interested in crude oil reserves



Farmers seen to benefit from board changes

Breakthroughs in research expected to head off worldwide r

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...rice shortage in 2010

Purefoods net earnings surge 833%

Liberty seeking new capital, posts ₱232M in losses

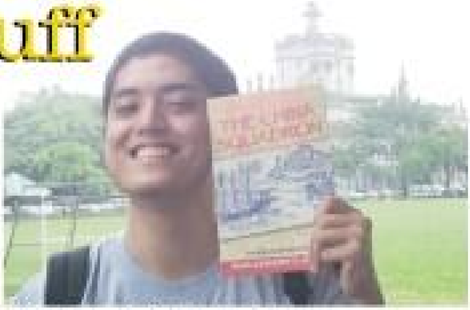
First Pacific to work on delisting Del Monte upon acquisition

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'The write stuff' for an ambitious first novel

Ross Clarke, a published author at 24, went the usual route in getting 'The China Squadron' published



THE YOUNG and talented Ross Clarke holds up his very first novel.

HOW DO YOU GET a novel published in the Philippines?

Rejections

Acceptance

Survey says ...

Cartoon Network finds Pinoy kids are no couch potatoes

LEAVE IT TO WHITNEY and her stentorian vocal chords to remind us that the children are, indeed, the future. And, as it turns out, the children are also the present.

THE SKINNY ON ACNE

Treat the skin, not the pimples



Hormonal imbalance

Old staple

Away with acne in 4 easy steps

HAVING A HARD TIME making your own acne management program? Try this one from Stiefel, which has been manufacturing top dermatological products for the past 150 years, including PanOxyl, Physiogel, Oilatum and other products available in leading drugstores nationwide.

Step 1: Wash your face twice a day

Step 2: Acne treatment

Step 3: Moisturize

Step 4: Apply sunscreen

Survey says ...

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takes that extra step, providing a comprehensive report on Filipino kids—their habits, lifestyle and opinions—through an annual study called Cartoon Network New Generations.

Cartoon Network started this study in 1998, covering most of the Asia-Pacific region and gathering data from children aged 7-14, with a resulting sample size of 5,700 children in 12 countries. It was then called the New Generations survey.

In 2001, Cartoon Network decided to concentrate fully on the individual behavior and lifestyle of children from countries like Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan and Australia.

The first

The New Generations Philippines is actually the first localized survey designed for the Filipino youth. This time around, it covers the many aspects of the life of 7-14-year-old kids: media habits, technology, sports, shopping behavior, pocket money and exercise, to name a few.

Coming from highly urbanized areas like Metro Manila, Davao and Cebu, the survey involves 1,000 kids and their parents. Majority of those surveyed (at least 85 percent) comes from class D.

The findings? Kids today are technologically adept, professional television clickers, and yet fit and healthy, in spite of this.

In this age of technological advancement, when even 8-year-old children have their own cell phones, the kids of this generation seem to be not only skilled texters, as may be expected of residents of the texting capital of the world, but are also tech-savvy in computing.

Not surprisingly, the survey reveals that nine out of 10 children live in homes with mobile phones, while 35 percent have landlines in their residence.

Still No. 1

According to this year's results, Cartoon Network—home to Johnny Bravo, Powerpuff Girls, and Dexter's Laboratory—remains the top children's network.

For leisure, watching TV is the number one past-time of children, with 98 percent of respondents spending a typical weekday glued to the screen.

Majority of parents take this opportunity to bond with their kids. Some 99 percent of parents surveyed watch television with their kids, and 81 percent watch with their children every day. Not surprisingly, eating at home with the parents ranks No. 1 among the activities for a typical weekday schedule.

But how healthy are the technology-savvy Filipino children? Has the fondness for TV turned them into the stereotypical couch potato—fat and lazy and slow to move?



That does not seem to be the case with Filipino children. Some 83 percent of parents claim their kids are active in sports and play outdoors; half of them considering it on a daily basis.

And, as to be expected, basketball remains their favorite sport and Michael Jordan is their fave sports star.

E-mail the author at [illegible]



Ready for reality, ready for the world





Street kids invade Play Underground



KIDS enjoy their first shot at wall-climbing.



VOLUNTEERS [illegible] the harness.

STREET CHILDREN FROM Guadalupe, who are beneficiaries of ChildHope Asia programs, had a grand time recently at Play Underground at the Power Plant Mall of the Rockwell Center.

The kids spent the whole morning wall-climbing with the help of the Play Underground staff, who served as [illegible] for the day.

The street children were brought to the outfit by members of the Breakfast Club, a volunteer group under the wings of Hands On Manila.

Breakfast Club was among five volunteer groups recognized by the HSBC Faces of Volunteerism program in last month's Volunteer in Person (VIP) Day at Rockwell Loft in Makati City.

The HSBC Faces of Volunteerism program aims to encourage volunteers to come up with innovative ways and means to help others.

Members of Breakfast Club spend Saturday mornings sharing meals, games and other activities with street children from Guadalupe and the Cultural Center of the Philippines Complex.

On hand to help were Play Underground's Joy Sabarino, Buddy Advincula and [illegible] Ramos.

To volunteer, call Hands On Manila at 8437844 and 8435231 or e-mail [illegible]



HANDS on Manila "Breakfast Club" group at Rockwell wall climbing center [illegible]

Young 'eco-minds' hold forum

By Jeffrey [illegible]
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TWENTY-SEVEN YOUNG STUdents from Asia-Pacific countries attended the Eco-Minds Asia-Pacific Youth Forum 2005 organized by Bayer and the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP).

Held in cooperation with the Ateneo de Manila University (ADMU), the meeting aimed to help increase awareness of environmental problems and arrest the depletion of natural resources.

Attending the first Eco-Minds Forum were students from Australia, China, Indonesia, Korea, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

The event featured a panel of lecturers and other guests from different countries. An exhibit was mounted at the Gallery of the Hotel Inter-Continental Grand Ballroom.

Dr. Udo Oels, a member of the Bayer AG Board of Management, welcomed the delegates, who wore their national costumes, and other guests.

Environment Sec. Michael Defensor introduced President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo who spoke on the multidimensional approach to sustainability.

Professor Jeffrey Sachs, director of the UN Millennium Project on the environmental challenges of the UN Millennium Development Goals, conducted a video conference.

Other speakers were UNEP representative Elizabeth [illegible], former Socio-Economic Planning secretary, now director of the Ateneo Center for Economic Research and Development, Dr. Cielito Habito; and professor W. Roy Jackson, founding director of the Centre for Green Chemistry in Monash University, Australia.

The event marked the debut of "Everybody's Earth," an original musical composition by the Bayer Young Environmental Envoys of the Philippines. Winners in the International Children's Painting Competition for the Environment were also displayed.



OUR very own participants for the youth forum



INTERNATIONAL delegates in their national costumes